

## Message Text

UNCLASSIFIED

PAGE 01 GUATEM 06005 252327Z

14

ACTION PM-04

INFO OCT-01 ARA-10 ISO-00 EB-07 CIAE-00 INR-07 NSAE-00

NSC-05 SP-02 SS-15 /051 W

----- 124378

R 252245Z AUG 76

FM AMEMBASSY GUATEMALA

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 2902

SECDEF

SECCOMMERCE

INFO COMELEVEN SAN DIEGO

BROOK ARMY MED CENTER, FT. SAM HOUSTON

USCINCSO

DIA

UNCLAS GUATEMALA 6005

EO 11652: N/A

TAGS: MPOL, BEXP, GT

SUBJ: GUATEMALAN ARMY VISIT TO US MILITARY AND CIVILIAN  
HOSPITALS

REF: A) USDAO GUATEMALA 161630Z AUGUST 76

B) SECDEF 232124Z AUGUST 76

1. AT LUNCHEON TODAY IN HONOR OF CINCSO, GENERAL MENDOZA TOLD MY STAFF THAT PRESIDENT LAUGERUD UNABLE UNDERSTAND WHY US MILITARY HOSPITALS UNWILLING RECEIVE GUATEMALAN ARMY MEDICAL AND ENGINEERING TEAM CHARGED WITH PLANNING NEW GUATEMALAN MILITARY HOSPITAL. DATT EXPLAINED THAT HE HAD RECEIVED WORD FROM OSD THAT THERE WAS INSUFFICIENT TIME FOR PLANNING VISIT PROPOSED FOR SEPTEMBER 5-12 AND THAT IT SHOULD THEREFORE BE POSTPONED TO LATER DATE. DATT HAD SO INFORMED ARMY COS IN LETTER AUGUST 24. MENDOZA SAID HE WOULD SEE COS AFTERNOON AUGUST 25 AND TRY TO EXPLAIN.

2. IN SEPARATE CONVERSATION, COL. MEJIA, G-4, TOLD DATT THAT IN VIEW USG ANSWER GUATEMALAN TEAM WOULD TRAVEL AS SCHEDULED BUT WOULD VISIT ONLY CIVILIAN  
UNCLASSIFIED

UNCLASSIFIED

PAGE 02 GUATEM 06005 252327Z

HOSPITALS. WE UNDERSTAND THEY HAVE ANDERSON MEDICAL

CENTER AND ST. LUKE'S IN HOUSTON, TEXAS IN MIND. JOHN PFLUEGER OF PFLUEGER ARCHITECTS, 580 MARKET STREET, SAN FRANCISCO HAS CABLED COMMERCIAL ATTACHE INDICATING AWARENESS OF VISIT AND REQUESTING EMBASSY ASSISTANCE IN ARRANGING STOPS AT BOTH MILITARY AND CIVILIAN FACILITIES ON COMMERCIAL GROUNDS. REPRESENTATIVES OF GREENHORN AND O'MEARA, ARCHITECTS AND ENGINEERS, RIVERDALE, MARYLAND, ARE PRESENTLY IN GUATEMALA IN CONNECTION WITH MILITARY HOSPITAL CONSTRUCTION PLANS AND HAVE REQUESTED APPOINTMENT WITH COS.

3. IN LIGHT OF EXPRESSED INTEREST OF PRESIDENT OF GUATEMALA, ON ONE HAND, AND US FIRMS, ON THE OTHER, I STRONGLY RECOMMEND DOD RECONSIDER ITS INABILITY SCHEDULE VISITS TO US MILITARY HOSPITALS SEPTEMBER 5-11. IF PARTICULAR HOSPITALS UNSUITABLE OR INCONVENIENT, OTHERS WHICH WERE PROPOSED IN REF B MAY BE SUBSTITUTED; THE IMPORTANT POINT IS NOT SPECIFIC SITES BUT WILLINGNESS USG HOST VISIT BY GOG REPRESENTATIVES AT THEIR EXPENSE. ANDREWS

UNCLASSIFIED

NNN

## Message Attributes

**Automatic Decaptioning:** X  
**Capture Date:** 01 JAN 1994  
**Channel Indicators:** n/a  
**Current Classification:** UNCLASSIFIED  
**Concepts:** MEDICAL CARE, MILITARY VISITS  
**Control Number:** n/a  
**Copy:** SINGLE  
**Draft Date:** 25 AUG 1976  
**Decaption Date:** 01 JAN 1960  
**Decaption Note:**  
**Disposition Action:** n/a  
**Disposition Approved on Date:**  
**Disposition Authority:** n/a  
**Disposition Case Number:** n/a  
**Disposition Comment:**  
**Disposition Date:** 01 JAN 1960  
**Disposition Event:**  
**Disposition History:** n/a  
**Disposition Reason:**  
**Disposition Remarks:**  
**Document Number:** 1976GUATEM06005  
**Document Source:** CORE  
**Document Unique ID:** 00  
**Drafter:** n/a  
**Enclosure:** n/a  
**Executive Order:** N/A  
**Errors:** N/A  
**Film Number:** D760325-0278  
**From:** GUATEMALA  
**Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Image Path:**  
**ISecure:** 1  
**Legacy Key:** link1976/newtext/t19760822/aaaaasoh.tel  
**Line Count:** 81  
**Locator:** TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM  
**Office:** ACTION PM  
**Original Classification:** UNCLASSIFIED  
**Original Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Original Previous Classification:** n/a  
**Original Previous Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Page Count:** 2  
**Previous Channel Indicators:** n/a  
**Previous Classification:** n/a  
**Previous Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Reference:** n/a  
**Review Action:** RELEASED, APPROVED  
**Review Authority:** morefirh  
**Review Comment:** n/a  
**Review Content Flags:**  
**Review Date:** 07 JAN 2004  
**Review Event:**  
**Review Exemptions:** n/a  
**Review History:** RELEASED <07 JAN 2004 by morefirh>; APPROVED <07 Jan 2004 by morefirh>  
**Review Markings:**

Margaret P. Grafeld  
Declassified/Released  
US Department of State  
EO Systematic Review  
04 MAY 2006

**Review Media Identifier:**  
**Review Referrals:** n/a  
**Review Release Date:** n/a  
**Review Release Event:** n/a  
**Review Transfer Date:**  
**Review Withdrawn Fields:** n/a  
**Secure:** OPEN  
**Status:** NATIVE  
**Subject:** GUATEMALAN ARMY VISIT TO US MILITARY AND CIVILIAN HOSPITALS  
**TAGS:** MPOL, BEXP, OTRA, GT, US  
**To:** STATE DOD  
**Type:** TE  
**Markings:** Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 04 MAY 2006